(SRI G. NARAYANA GOWDA.)

(c) whether it is a fact that on account of the costlier materials the estimates in those particular taluks where power is supplied through 11 K. V. A. line go abnormally high ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) Srinivasapur in Kolar District, Bellary ; Kudligi and Hospet in Bellary District.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to (b).

Loud Speakers (enforcement of amendments to Mysore Police Act).

Q.—315. Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Tumkur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the amendments effected in the Mysore Police Act to regulate the use of loud-speakers are being enforced ;

(b) if so, the number of licences granted up-to-date for the use of loud-speakers for advertising cinema shows and other amusements in the cities and towns ?

A.—Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Home and Industries).—

(a) Yes.

(b) 1,168.

Maternity Hospital K. G. F. (complaints)

Q.—330. Sri P. M. SWAMIDORAI (Kolar Gold Fields-Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether they have received series of complaints against the Maternity Hospital, Kolar Gold Fields ;

(b) if so, the action taken against the hospital ?

A.—Sri T. CHANNIAH (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(a) Yes.

(b) An enquiry was made and certain staff was transferred to ensure smooth working of the institution.

Thimmannanaikanakere, Mallipattana Hobli (restoration)

Q.—394. Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the total extent of "Atchkat" (area) under (the tank) "Thimmannanaikanakere" in Mallipattana Hobli, Arkalgud Taluk, Hassan District ;

(b) out of this 'Atchkat', what is the extent which is under cultivation and also the extent that is lying fallow ;

(c) when was the above tank restored ;

(d) whether any representation has been made to restore and repair this tank ; if so, what is the action that has been taken to restore this tank very early ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(a) 204 acres and 25 guntas.

(b) The entire area is under cultivation.

(c) About 30 years ago.

(d) Yes. Surveys have been conducted for improving the tank by raising the waste-weir and bund.

Agricultural Produce and Marketing Societies (organisation)

Q.—427. Sri V. MASIYAPPA (Hiriyur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the steps taken by them to get good marketing facilities for the agricultural produce of the State ;

(b) whether there are any representations for fixing uniform weights

and measures and guarantee of minimum prices ;

(*c*) whether they will consider to organise more Agricultural Produce and Marketing Societies in the State ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) Regulated Markets are opened in important Trade Centres in the State with a view to provide marketing facilities for Agricultural Produce. In addition to these Regulated Markets, Co-operative Marketing Societies have been organised in important trade centres.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) More Regulated Markets will be opened in the State as and when there is need for the same.

Marketing Department

Q.—507. Sri B. CHIKKANNA (Javagal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) (i) when the Marketing Department was established and made permanent, (ii) the main objects and duties of this department ;

(*b*) (i) the amount allotted to this department in the first Five-Year Plan ; (ii) the amount expended and the amount remaining ; and (iii) the amount they have provided in this behalf for the years 1953, 1954 and 1955 ;

(*c*) the names of the gazetted officers working in this department, their qualifications, their pay and their status ;

(*d*) (i) the Head of this Department and the names of other departments under his control ; (ii) the permanent post that he holds ; and (iii) whether the said officer has undergone any foreign training to acquire a special knowledge pertaining to this department ;

(*e*) (i) whether they have sent any person to foreign countries to acquire a special knowledge pertaining to the sale of agricultural produces ; (ii) if so, whether his services are now being utilised ;

(*f*) whether it is not desirable to appoint a foreign-trained Officer exclusively to be in charge of the Marketing Department ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) (i) The Marketing Department was established on a temporary basis in April 1941 and was made permanent from 18th April 1948.

(ii) The main objects and duties of the Marketing Department are to deal with problems of agricultural marketing including the opening of Grading Stations and Regulated Markets, the improvement of containers and method of packing, storage and other facilities, the organisation of Co-operative Marketing Societies and the development of Market News Service.

(*b*) (i) Nil.

(ii) and (iii) These do not arise in view of reply to (*b*) (i).

(*c*)

Name of the Officer	*Qualifications*	*Pay and grade*	*Status.*
1. Sri K. Nanjappa	B.A., B.L., Revenue (Higher), Accounts (Higher and Lower), Registration, Office Manual Examination of Mysore Government Secretariat.	Rs. 250 in grade Rs.150-25/2-250.	Marketing Officer.
2. Sri H. Nagaiah.	B.A. (Hons.), M.A., LL.B., Revenue (Higher,) Accounts (Higher), Registration, Muzrai, Excise, Co-operative Inspectors' Examination, M.L.S. Examination, Office Manual Examintion of Mysore Government Secretariat.	Do	Marketing Officer.